

INDIANA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION (IERC) MEETING
Indiana Government Center South
302 West Washington Street
Indianapolis, Indiana
June 6, 2011 1:00 P.M.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Chairman Mike Garvey of the IERC, welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for a roll call.

ROLL CALL TO ORDER

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| Mike Garvey – IDHS | Bruce Palin – IDEM |
| Jim Pridgen – Industry Representative | Sherman Greer – Local Government |
| Gerri Husband – State Representative | Brent Johnson - State Representative |
| Brian Lott – Local Government | Shawn French – Industry Representative |
| Roger Powers – Local Government | |

The following Commission members were absent:

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| Dean Larson – Public Representative | Carol Shelby – Public Representative |
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The following staff members were present:

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| John Steel – IDHS | Mara Snyder - IDHS |
| Laura Steadham – IDEM | Ian Ewusi – IDHS/IDEM |

The following members of the audience were present:

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| Barbara Humphrey – IDEM | John Murphy – Vanderburgh County |
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QUORUM

LEPC Coordinator indicated a quorum was present

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

A motion to approve and adopt the minutes from the March 14, 2011, meeting was made by Mr. Pridgen and seconded by Chief Lott. **MOTION CARRIED**

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chairman Garvey reported on the current weather situation affecting Indiana and IDHS was working on a request for a Federal disaster declaration. Also, IDHS recently completed the National Level Exercise 2011 for an earthquake response and that 3 district task forces participated. Additionally legislation was passed and signed off by the governor for the Mid-America Mutual Aid Agreement and Senate Bill 1365 that allows volunteer fire departments bill for hazardous materials spills.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Communications Committee—Sherman Greer, Chair

Mr. Greer reported on the draft agenda for the Summer Emergency Response Conference. They will be including an awards ceremony at the opening of the IERC/LEPC session.

Policy/Technical Committee—James Pridgen/Dean Larson, Co-Chairs

Mr. Pridgen reported on the Policy/Technical Committee retreat in April. This retreat identified 4 areas that needed to be addressed, these include;

- Greater interaction of agency resources.
- Better job with legislative help
- Leverage help to the LEPCs
- Working with unresponsive LEPCS so all counties are represented.

Another meeting in July is being planned to move forward with strategic planning and establish deliverables to LEPCs.

Training Committee—Brian Lott, Chair

No Report

Fiscal Committee—Bruce Palin, Chair

Mr. Palin reported that June 30, 2011 will be the end of the State Fiscal Year, and the IERC is working within the budget and approximately there is \$400,000 in savings.

Mr. Palin is continuing to work with Indiana Department of Revenue to match up Tier II reports and payments.

Chief Lott made a motion to accept committee reports, second by Mr. Greer. **MOTION CARRIED**

OLD BUSINESS

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

No Report

REPORT OF THE FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Ewusi made the following reports;

- Switzerland County LEPC has been inactive for the last 4-5 years and determined there were inappropriate expenditures during this time. This has been addressed and Switzerland County is working on resolving these issues.
- Elkhart County had issues with meeting a quorum. A memo to this county was sent to address:
 - The definition of a quorum requirements for an LEPC in accordance with IC 5-14-1..5 and the Open Door Law.
 - LEPC membership requirements in accordance with 42 USC 11001(d).
- Currently 58 Counties will be eligible for funding, and another 10 may or may not receive their funding.
- Attended 9 LEPC meetings in Daviess, Elkhart, Grant, Lake, Switzerland, Tippecanoe, White, Howard and Jasper.
- CAMEO Training will be conducted this Summer at St. Joseph County, Marshall County, the IERC Conference and IVY Tech State College. Interest has been expressed to teach at the J. Everett Light Career Center Public Safety Program.
- EPCRA Reporting; there has been success with online reporting, with 5,000 facilities reporting. Mr. Ewusi requested LEPCs to review the files to ascertain that the number of filers is consistent with their records, and that they can request CAMEO ready files.
- EPCRA Section 304 Spill Reports; IDEM will take these and determine if this would be an EPCRA spill and whether it is accidental or intentional. There will be further discussion on this matter.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER APPROVALS

Mr. Ewusi reported that the following 14 counties had submitted new or updated rosters for approval:

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| Boone | Dearborn | Delaware | Elkhart | Franklin | Howard | LaPorte |
| Marshall | Noble | Parke | Porter | Vanderburgh | Wayne | White |

Mr. Pridgen made a motion to approve the rosters and was seconded by Mr. Greer. **MOTION CARRIED.**

LEPC COMMENTS

No Report

EPA COMMENTS

No Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Report

NEXT MEETING

July 11, 2011, 1:00pm
Indiana Government Center South Conference Room 14
Indianapolis, Indiana

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 2:14 P.M.

Michael Garvey, Chair